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April 15, 2014

The Honorable Board of Supervisors  
County of Los Angeles  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
Los Angeles, California 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SHERIFF TO  
APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDING FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION  
(FIFTH DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)**

**SUBJECT**

Adopt the attached Resolution as required by the State of California, Department of Parks and Recreation (CDPR) as part of the application process for the 2013-14 Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) grant program in the amount of \$392,307.

**IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD:**

1. Authorize the Sheriff of the Los Angeles County (County) Sheriff's Department (Department) as an agent for the County to submit a grant application to CDPR for the 2013-14 OHMVR grant program in the amount of \$392,307 for Fiscal Year (FY) 2014-15.
2. Adopt the attached Resolution authorizing the Sheriff to sign and submit all grant documents, including but not limited to, applications, agreements, memoranda of understanding, modifications, amendments, augmentations, extensions, and grant renewals that may be necessary for completion of the project.

**PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION**

CDPR requires the attached Resolution be adopted by the Board and be submitted with the Department's grant application in response to the 2013-14 OHMVR grant program. One objective of CDPR's 2013-14 OHMVR grant program is to provide funding to selected law enforcement agencies

in order to protect natural resources and enforce laws that regulate and educate the public in the use of off-highway motor vehicles and associated equipment. In meeting this objective, the Department will use the grant funds to implement the Department's Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Enforcement Program that will be administered by the Department's Parks Bureau (\$132,000), Santa Clarita Valley (\$156,663), and Palmdale (\$103,644) Sheriff's Stations.

The Department is in its 11th consecutive year of applying for funding from CDPR's OHMVR grant program. The goal of the Department's OHV Enforcement Program is to educate OHV enthusiasts, provide training to youth from low income areas on related safety laws to help reduce off-highway vehicle-related offenses and code violations throughout the Department's jurisdictions in Palmdale, Lancaster, Santa Clarita, Crescenta, and Hungry Valleys.

In order to successfully reduce the types of offenses and violations identified above, the Department will utilize the grant funds specifically to retain sergeant and deputy personnel on an overtime basis. The Santa Clarita and Palmdale Sheriff's Stations (Stations) will assign sergeants and deputies to be responsible for identifying and targeting areas where violations are highly prevalent, and conduct coordinated enforcement efforts throughout the identified region. In addition to their active involvement in the project, the Stations will also collaborate with the United States Forest Service to ensure that efficient and productive enforcement of the problem areas that exists during peak times, such as weekends and holidays, are addressed.

The Department's Parks Bureau will assign sergeants and deputies to their OHV Enforcement Program to revitalize the existing Off-Highway Police Activity League (OHPAL) within the County to provide All-Terrain Vehicle (ATV) training to disadvantaged youths. By making OHPAL training available to youth from low income areas, this will afford them the opportunity to experience outdoor recreational opportunities, while simultaneously providing them with safe riding principles, supplying information on legal areas to recreate on OHVs, reviewing the importance of legal requirements for wearing approved safety gear while riding, and explaining the "Tread Lightly" principles to minimize the damage to surrounding natural resources.

### **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

This program is consistent with the County's Strategic Plan, Goal 3, Integrated Services Delivery, by maximizing opportunities to measurably improve client and community outcomes and leveraging resources through the continuous integration of health, community, and public safety services. Successful implementation of this program will effectively and strategically approach eliminating the crime and nuisance issues associated with the OHV Enforcement Program.

### **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

The total project cost is estimated at \$633,676 by combining with the OHMVR grant request in the amount of \$392,307 and a Department match at a minimum of \$241,369 will be provided by the Department in the event of grant award.

### **FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS**

CDPR anticipates identifying Southern California agency recipients of the 2013-14 OHMVR grant award in July 2014. Upon notice of a grant award, the Department will be given a period of 12 months to implement/complete the 2013-14 OHMVR grant program.

The attached Resolution has been approved by County Counsel.

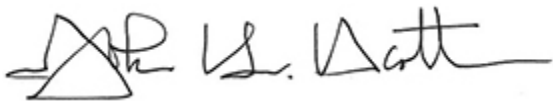
**IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

The Board letter was forwarded to the District Attorney, Public Defender, and Alternate Public Defender offices for review. None of these agencies' operation will be significantly impacted by this grant.

**CONCLUSION**

Upon your Board's approval, please provide two individually adopted copies of this action and two originally executed copies of the Resolution to the Department's Grants Unit.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "John L. Scott". The signature is stylized with a large, looped "J" and "S".

JOHN L. SCOTT  
Sheriff

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Enclosures

**RESOLUTION**  
**OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES APPROVING THE**  
**APPLICATION FOR THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND**  
**RECREATION, OFF-HIGHWAY MOTOR VEHICLE RECREATION PROGRAM**  
**GRANT FUNDS**

WHEREAS, the people of the State of California have enacted the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Act of 2003, which provides funds to the State of California and its political subdivisions for Operation and Maintenance, Restoration, Law Enforcement, and Education and Safety for off-highway vehicle recreation; and

WHEREAS, the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation Division with the State of California, Department of Parks and Recreation has been delegated the responsibility to administer the program; and

WHEREAS, procedures established by the State of California, Department of Parks and Recreation require the grant applicant's governing body to certify by resolution the approval of the application to apply for Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Grant funds; and

WHEREAS, this project appears on, or is in conformance with the County's adopted general or master plan and is compatible with the land use plans of those jurisdictions immediately surrounding the project; and

WHEREAS, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department is requesting 2013-14 Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) grant funds from the State of California, Department of Parks and Recreation for the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) Enforcement program; and

WHEREAS, OHMVR grant funds will enable the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department to enforce laws in public areas designated for off-highway vehicle use within Los Angeles County.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles hereby:

1. Approves the filing of an application for State of California, Department of Parks and Recreation OHMVR grant or Cooperative Agreement; and
2. Certifies that the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department understands its legal obligations to the State of California upon approval of the grant; and
3. Certifies that the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department will implement its OHV Enforcement program with diligence once funds are available and the County has reviewed, understands, and agrees with the Project Agreement; and

4. Certifies that the project will be well maintained during its useful life (as applicable); and
5. Certifies that the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department will provide the required matching funds (as applicable); and
6. Certifies that the public and adjacent property owners have been notified of this project (as applicable); and
7. Appoints and authorizes the Sheriff, as an agent for the County of Los Angeles, to execute and submit all required grant documents, including, but not limited to, applications, agreements, modifications, and amendments, which may be necessary for the completion of the project.

The foregoing resolution was on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2014, adopted by the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles and ex officio the governing body of all other special assessment and taxing districts, agencies and authorities for which said Board so acts.

SACHI A. HAMAI  
Executive Officer-Clerk of the  
Board of Supervisors of  
the County of Los Angeles

By \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy

APPROVED AS TO FORM:  
JOHN KRATTLI  
County Counsel

By   
Senior Deputy County Counsel